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## MEMORY PRACTICE.

"Act, Act in the Living Prefent."
1.

We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breuths; In feelings, not in figures on a dial;
We should count time by heart-throbe. He most livea Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.-Bailey.
2.

I would not waste my spring of youth
In idle dalliance ; I would plaut rich seoda
To blossom in my manhood, and bear fruit When I am old.-J. A. Hillhouse.
3.

Rest not! Life is aweeping by;
Go and dare before you die;
Something mighty and sublime
Leave behind to conquer time.
Glorious 'tis to live for aye,
When these forms have passed away.-Goethe.
4.

Work! and pure slumbera ahall wait on thy pillow;
Work! thou shalt ride over care's coming billow;
Lie not down wearied 'neath woe's weeping willow,
Work with a atout heart and resolute will!
Work for some good, be it ever so slowly;
Work for aome hope, be it ever so lowly;
Work! for all labor ia noble and holy !-Mrs. Osgood

## b.

Press on! surmount the rocky steeps;
Climb boldly o'er the torrent's arch;
He fails alone who feebly creeps,
He wins who dares the hero's march.

Be thou a herol let thy might
Tramp on eternal snows its way;
And tirrough the ebon walis of nigbt, Hew down a passage unto day.-Park Benjamin.
6.

In the worid's broad field of battle,
In the bivouac of life,
Be not like dumb, driven cattle; Be a hero in the strifel
Trust no Future, howe'er pleasant ; Let the dead Past bury its dead:
Act-act in the living Present, Heart within, and God o'erheadl
Lives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime, And, departing, lenve behind us Foot-prints on the sends of time;
Foot-priuts that perhapa another, Sailing o'er life's solemn mailu,
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother, Seeing, shall take hesrt again.
Let us, then, be up and doing, With a heart for any fate;
still achieving, still pursuing, Learn to labor and to wait.-Longfectlovo.

## Adversity.

7. 

The good are better made by ill, As odors crushed are sweeter atill.-Rogere.

## 8.

Affiction is the good man's shining scene: Prosperity conceals his brightest ray:
As night to stars, woe luster gives to man.- Young.
9.

For God has marked each sorrowing day, And numbered every secret tear,
And heaven's long years of bliss shall pay For all his children suffer here.-W. C. Bryant


Who is thy neighbor? He whom thou Hast power to ald or blons;
Whose achilug liead or burning brow Thy soothing hand may press.
Thy neighbor is the fainting poor, Whose eje with want in dim;
0 , enter then his humble door Witil ald and peace for him.
Thy neighbor? Pass no mowner by; Perhapa thou canst redeem
$\Delta$ breaking heart from misery ;Go share thy lot with him.

## The Bible.

18. 

We count the Scriptures of God to be the most sublime philosophy. I find more marks of authenticity in the Bible than in any profane history whatever.-I. Newton.
19.

The Bible contalins more true sublimity, more exquisite beauty, more pure morality, more important history, and finer strains of poetry and eloquence than can be collected from all other books in whatever age or language thoy have been written.-Sir William Jones.

## 20.

Thou truest friend man ever knew, Thy conatancy I've tried;
When sll were false, I found thee true,
My counselor and guide.
The mines of earth no treasures give
That could this volume buy;
In teaching me the way to live,
It taught me how to die.-George P. Morris.
21.

Within this ample volume liee
The mystery of mysteries;
Heppiest they of human race
To whom their God has given grace

To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,
To lift the latch, to force the way;
And better had they ne'er beeu born,
That read to doubt, or read to scorm. - Walter Ecove

Chemrpulnegs.
22.

Better to weave in the web of lifo
A bright and golden fllilug,
And to do God's will with a rearly hearth And hands that are awift and willing,
Than to anap the dellcate, alender threeds
Of our curioue lives asunder,
And then blame God for the tangled ende,
And alt, and grieve, and wonder,-Mrs. M. A. Kidder.
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## Contenthent.

## 23.

He is the richest who is content with the least.-Socrates.

## 24.

If life be long, I will be gled, That I may long obey;
If short, yet why should I be sad To soar to endless day $9-$ R. Baxtor.

## 25.

Every bush and tufted tree
Warblee sweet philosophy:
"Mortal, fly from doubt and sorrow-
God provideth for the morrow I"-R. Heber.

## 26.

Much will alwsys wanting be
To him who much desires. Thrice happy he
fic whom the wise indulgency of Hesven,
With epriting hand, but just enough, has given.
27.

My erown is in my heart, not on my head; Not decked with diamonda and Indian atonem
Nor to be seen; my crown is calied content;
$\Delta$ crown it is that seldom kings onjoy.一Shakegpeare.
38.

To be resigned when ills betide,
Patient when favorm are devied,
Aod pleased with favora given;
Yost surely this is wiedom's part,
This is that incense of the beart
Whose fragrance breaties to heaven.-Cottom

## 29.

But oven wheo I hate, If I reek my garden gate,
And survey the world around me aud above,
The batred tien my mind,
And I sigh for human kind,
And exouse the faults of those I cannot love.
I've parted with my pride,
And I take the sunny side,
For I've found it worse than foily to be and; I keep my conscience clear,
I've a hundred pounds a year,
And I manage to exiet and be glad.-Charles Mackay.

## Duty.

30. 

No man ie born into the world whose work
Is not born with him; there is always work,
And toole to work withal, for those who will;
And bieesed are the boray hands of toll.-J. R. Lowoen.
31.

One by one the sands are tlowing, One by one the moments fall; Some are comlag, some are going; Do not atrive to graap them all.

One by one thy dutios walt thee,
Let thy whole atrength go to ench:
Let no future dreams ointe theo-
Learn thou drat what theme can teach.

- Adolalde A. Proctor.

32. 

It may not be our lot to wold
The slokle in the ripened aeld;
Nor ours to hoar on nummer eves
The resper's nong among the aheaves;
Yot where our duty's task la wrought
In unison with God'a grent thought,
The near and future blend in one,
And whatee'ser is willed is done.-Whittier.

## 33.

Over and over agnin,
No matter which way I turn
I always find in the book of life
Some leason that I must loarn;
I munt take my turn at the mill,
I must grind out the golden grain,
I muat work at my task with a resolute will, Over and over agaln.

## 34.

Work for the good that is alghent;
Dream not of groatoess afar;
That glory in over the highent
Which ahitues upon men as they are.
Work, though the world would defeat you;
Heed not its slander and reorn;
Nor weary till sngela shall greet you
With amiles through the gates of the morn.

Fartr.
35.

Beware of doubt; falth la the subtle chain Which binds ua to the Infinite.-Mrs. E. O. Smith.

## 36.

My knowiedge of that life is amall,
The eye of faith is dim,
But 'tis enough that Chis'st kuows all, And I ahall be with him.-R. Baater.
37.

Workman of God! $\mathbf{0}$, lose not heart,
But learn what God is like;
And in the derkest battle-field
Thou shalt know where to strike.-F. W. Faber.
38.

Thy God hath said 'tls good for thee
To walk by faith anu not by sight;
Take it on truat a little while,
Soon shalt thou read the mystery right
In the bright sunshine of his smile.-Keble.
39.

When gathering clouds around I view, And days are dark and frienda are few, On Him I lean, who, not in vain,
Experienced every human pain;
He sees my wants, allays my fears,
And counts and treasures up my teare.-R. Grant
40.

And this is all? Can reason do no more
Than bid me shun the deep, and dread the shore?
Sweet moralist I sfloat on life's rough sea,
The Chriatian lias an art unknown to thee;
He holds no parley with unmanly fears,
Where duty bida he confidently stepers;
Faces a thousaud dangers at her call,
And trusting in his God surmounts them ail.-Cooper.

## Forgiveness.

41. 

The fairest action of our human life
Is acorning to revenge an Injury; For who forgives, without a firther strife, His adversary's heart to him doth tie.

And 'tis a firmer conquest, truly sald,
To win the heart than overthrow the head.-Elizabeth Carev.

## God.

42. 

We have, amid all changes, three unchsngeables: an unchangeable covenant, an unchaugeable God, an unchangeable heaven.-Matthew Henry.

## 43.

The silent sky, the sleeping earth,
Tree, mountain, stream, the hnmble sod,
All tell from whom they had their birth,
And cry, "Behold a GodI"-Thomas Niller.
14.

Not worlds on worlds, in phalanx deep,
Need we to prove a God is here;
The daisy, freeh from winter's sleep,
Tells of his hand in lines as clear.-Good
45.

Thou art, 0 God, the life and light
Of all this wondrous world we see;
Its glow by day, its smile by night,
Are but reflections caught from thee.
Where'er we turn, thy glories shine,
And all things fair snd bright are thine.-Moore.
46.
"No Godl no Godl" The simplest flower
That on the wild is found
Shrinks as it drinks its cup of dew, And trembles at the sound.
"No Godl" astonished Echo cries
From out her cavern hoar;
And every wandering bird thist flies Reproves the atheist lore.
47.

God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps In the sea, And rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines Of never-filling skill,
He tressures up his bright designs, And works his sovereign will.
Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take: The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.
Judge not the Lord by feeble sense, But trust him for his grace; Behind a frowning providence He hides a smilling face.
His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour:
The bud may have a bitter tate, But sweet will be the flower.
Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vaiu:
God is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.-Conoper.

## Hzaven

## 48.

Beyond the fight of time, Beyond the reign of death,
There surely is some blessed clime,
Where life is not a breath;
Nor life's affections transient fire,
Whose sparke fly upward and expire.-Montgomery.
Hope.
49.

Better to hope, though the clouds hang low, And to keep the oyes atill lited;
For the sweet blue sky will soon peep through, When the ominous clouds are rifted.
To the sunny soul that is full of hope, And whose besutiful trust ne'er faileth,
The grass is green and the flowers are bright Though the wiutry storm prevaileth.-Mrs. M. A. Kidder.

## 60.

A second voife was at mine ear,
A little whisper allver-clear,
A murmur, "Be of better cheer."
So beavenly toned that in that hour,
From out my suilen heart a power
Broke, like the rainbow from the shower,
To feel, although no tongue can prove
That every cloud that spreads above
And veileth love, itself is love.
And forth into the fielda I went,
And Nature's living motion lent
The pulse of hope to discontent.
So varioualy soemed all things wrought,
I marveled how the mind was brought
To anchor by one gloomy thoughi-Tennyson.
Home.
51.

The first nure symptom of a mind in health Is rest of heart, and pleasure felt at home.- Young.
52.
. . . . Home is the resort Of love, of joy, of peace, and plenty, where, Supporting and supported, polished friends And dear relations mingle into bliss.-Thompson.

## 53.

A mother's love, how sweet the namel
What is a mother's love?
A noble, pure, and tender flame,
Enkindied from above,
To bless a heart of earthly mold:
The warmest love that can grow coldThis is a mother's love.-Montgomery.

## Humanity.

## 54.

The poor beetle, that we tread upon,
In corporeal suffering feels a pang as great

As when a giant dies.-Shakespeare.

## 50.

I would not enter on my liat of friends
(Though graced with polished manners and five sense,
Yet wanting senaibllity) the man
Who needlesaly sets foot upon a worm.-Couper.

## Noble Lives.

66. 

Still shines the light of holy lives Like star-beams over doubt;
Each sainted memory, Christ-like, drives Some dark possession out.-Whittior.

## 57.

As on thy mother's knee, a new-born child,
Weeping thou sat'st, whilst all around thee smiled;
So live, that, sinking into death's long sleep,
Calm thou may'st smile, whilst all sround thee weep.-Hafian

## 58.

Whene'er a noble deed is wrought,
Whene'er is spoken a noble thought,
Our hearts in glad surprise
To higiner levela rise.
The tidal wave of deeper soule
Into our inmost being rolls,
And lifts us unawares
Out of all meaner cares.-Longfollow.
59.

Ronse to some work of high and holy love, And thou an angel's happiness shall know-
Shall bless the earth while in the world above;
The good begun by thee shall onward flow,
In many a branching stream, and wider grow;
The seed that in these fow and fleeting hours
Thy hand, unsparing and nawearied now,
Shall deck thy grave with amaranthine flowers,
And yield thee fruit divine in heaven's immortal bowera.-Wilcox. 60.

So live that when thy summons comes to join The innumerable caravan, that moves

To the pale realms of alade, where each shall take His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not, like the quarry elave at night,
Scourgod to his dungeon; but sustainod and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
about him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.
-From "Thanatopsis," by William Cullen Bryant.
61.

Chisel in hand stood a sculptor boy
With his marble block before him,
And his face lit up with a smile of joy
As an angel dream psseed o'er him.
He carved that dream on the ylelding stone With many a sharp incision,
In heaven's own light the sculptor shoneHe had caught that angel vision.
Sculptors of life are we; as we stand With our lives uncarved before us,
Waiting the hour when at God's right hand Our life-dream passes o'er us.
Let us carve it, then, on the yielding stone With many a deep incision,
Its heavenly beautios shail be our ownOur lives that sngel vision. -W. C. Doare.
62.

I live for those who love me, For those who know me true
For the heaven that smiles above me, And awaits my apirit too;
For the cause that lacke assistance,
For the wrong that needs resistance,
For the future in the distance,
And the good that I can do.-Dublin University Magazina.

## Meditation.

63. 

At evening, to myself I say:
Where hast thou been and gleaned to-dayThy labors how bestowed?

What hast thou rightiy ssid or done?
What grace attained, and knowiedge won, In following after God?-Charles Wesley.

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The day is drawing to its close,
And what good deeds, since first it rose,
Have I presented, Lord, to thee?
What wrongs repressed, what rights maintained;
What struggles past, what vietories gained;
What good attempted and attained,
As offerings of my ministry?-Longfelloor.
Mercy.
65.

There's a wideness in God's mercy
Like the wideness of the ses;
There's a kindness in his justico Which is more than liberty.
For the love of God ia broader
Than the measure of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.-F. W. Faber.
66.

The quality of mercy is not strained;
It droppeth, ss the gentle rain from heaven,
Upon the place beneath; it is twice blest; It blesseth him that gives and him that takes. 'Tis mightiest in the mightiest; it becomes The thron6d monarch better than his crown: It is an attribute to God himaelf; And earthly power doth them show likest God's, When mercy seasons justice. Think of this, That, in the course of juatice, none of us Should see salvation. We do pray for mercy; And that same prayer doth teach us all to render The deeds of mercy.-Shakeapeare.

Patriotiby.
67.

Breathes there a man, with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said,
"This is my own, my native land!"

Whose heart hath ne'er within him burned,
As home his footsteps he hath turned
From wandering on a foreign strand?
If such there brosthes, go mark him well ;
For him no minstrel raptures swell;
High though his titles, proud his name,
Boundless his wealth as wish can claim,
Despite those titles, power, and polf,
The wretch, coucentered all in self,
Living, shall forfeit fair renown,
And, doubly dying, ahali go down
To the vile dust from whence he sprung,
Unwept, unhonored, and unsung.-Sir Waller Scott:
Perseverance.
68.

The heights by great men reached and kept,
Were not attained by sudden tlight,
But they, while their companions alept,
Were toiling upward in the nighti.-Longfellovo.
69.

Life ahould be full of earnest work,
Our hearts undashed by fortune's frown;
Let Perseverance conquer fate,
And Merit seize the victor's crown;
The battle is not to the strong,
The race not always to the fleet,
And he who seeks to pluck the stars,
Will lose tive jewels at his feet.-P. Cary.

## Prayer.

70. 

He prayeth well who loveth well Both man and bird and beast; He prayeth best who loveth best
All things, both great and small;
For the dear God who loveth us,
He made and loveth all.-Coleridge.

## Procrastination.

71. 

Be wise to-day; 'tis madness to defer; Next day the fatal precedent will plead,

Thus on, till wisdom is pushed out of lifol Procrastination is the thief of time;
Year after year it steals, till all are fled, And to the merciea of a moment leavea The vast concerns of an eternal scene.- Young.

## The Soul

## 72.

The sun is but a apark of fire,
A transient moteor in the sky
The soul, immortal as ita sire,
Shall never die.-Montgomery.
73.

Why ahould thia wortiless tegument endure, If its undying guest be lost forever? OI let us keep the soul embalmed and pure In living virtue, that when both must sever Although corruption may our frame consume, The immortal spirit in the akiea may bloom.
74.

The soul, secure in her existence, smiles At the drawn dagger, and detes its point. The etars shall fade sway, the sun himself Grow dim with age, and nature sink in years;
But thou shalt flouriah in immortal youth,
Unhurt amidet the war of elements,
The wreck of matter, and the crueh of worlde.-Addisom.

## Profane Swearing.

75. 

The foolinh and wicked practice of profane cursing and awearing in a vice so mean and low that every person of sense and character deteste and despises it.-George Washington.

Tho devil tempts men tirough their ambition, their cupidity, or their sppetite, until he comes to the profane swearer, whom he catches without any reward.-Horace Manm
77.

I know not any crime so great that a mun could contrive to commit as poisoning the sources of eternal truth.-Johnsou.
78.

Truth crushed to earth siall rise ugain ;
The eternal yeara of God are liera;
But Error, wounded, writhes int puin,
And dies among his worshipers.-Bryant

## Virtue.

79. 

True worth is in being, not soeming-
In doing each day that goes by
Some little good, not in dreaming
Of great things to do by and by;
For, whatever mon may in their bliudness,
And spite of the liuncies of youth,
There is nothing so kingly as kiuduess,
And nothing so royal as truti.-Alice Cary.
80.

From yon blue heavens ahove us bent, The gardenor Adam and his wife
Smile st the claims of long descent.
Howe'er it be, it seems to me
'Tis only noble to be good.
Kind hearts are more than coronets, And simple faith, than Norman blood - Tennyson. 81.

I count this thing to be grandly true,
That a nohle deed is a step toward (iod,
Lifting the soul from the comnon sod
To purer air and a broader view.
We rise by things that are 'neath our feet:
By what we have mastered of good and gain;
By the pride deposed and the passion slain,
And the vauquished ills that we hourly meet.-J. G. Holland.

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